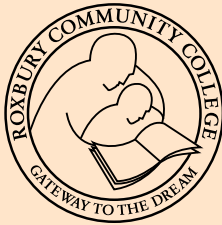


Roxbury Community College

37th Annual Commencement



Friday, May 18, 2012
One O'Clock P.M.

Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center

The National Anthem

*Oh, say, can you see by the dawn's early light,
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming?
Whose broad stripes and bright stars thru the perilous fight,
O'er the ramparts we watched, were so gallantly streaming?
And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air,
Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there.
Oh say, does that star-spangled banner yet wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?*

Francis Scott Key
1779 - 1843

Lift Every Voice and Sing

*Lift every voice and sing, till earth and heaven ring,
Ring with the harmonies of liberty;
Let our rejoicing rise, high as the list'ning skies,
Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us,
Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us;
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun,
Let us march on till victory is won.*

James Weldon Johnson
1871 - 1938

Program

Prelude

Processional

The audience is requested to remain seated during the processional for students and faculty.

Grafton Job Corps Color Guard will post the colors.

National Anthem

Lift Every Voice and Sing

Students' Greetings from Around the World

Greetings From the President

Dr. Terrence A. Gomes

Greetings From the Commissioner of the Massachusetts Department of Higher Education

Professor David S. Barron, Esq., Green Professor of Public Law at Harvard Law School

Greetings From the Alumni

Ms. Mayra Welsh, President of RCC Alumni

In Memoriam: Walter Clark, Esquire, Dean of Enrollment Management and Student Judicial Affairs

Dr. Stephanie C. Janey, Vice-President of Enrollment Management and Student Affairs

In Memoriam: Professor Tom Reeves, Faculty Member, History

Dr. Nancy Teel, Dean of Liberal Arts and Professional Studies

Musical Selection

Ms. Elisabeth Withers, Soloist

Introduction of Community Service Recipient

Mr. P. Paul Alexander, Chief Human Resources Officer

Community Service Award

Dr. Hubert (Hubie) E. Jones, Dean Emeritus of Boston University School of Social Work

Introduction of the Valedictorian

Dr. Brenda W. Mercomes, Vice President of Academic Affairs

Valedictorian

Ms. Helen Achwei



Introduction of the Commencement Speaker

Dr. Stephanie C. Janey, Vice President of Enrollment Management and Student Affairs

Commencement Address

Mr. Steve Pemberton, Chief Diversity Officer and Divisional Vice-President for Walgreens

Musical Selection

Ms. Elisabeth Withers, Soloist

Conferring of Degrees and Certificates

Authorization of the Board of Trustees

Ms. Anita L. Crawford, Chair, Board of Trustees

Dr. Terrence A. Gomes, President

Introduction of Degree and Certificate Candidates

Presided by Dr. Brenda W. Mercomes, Vice President of Academic Affairs

Dr. Nancy Teel, Dean of Liberal Arts and Professional Studies introduces Candidates for Associate of Arts Degree

Dr. Tala Khudairi, Dean of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math introduces Candidates for Associate of Science Degree

Dr. Gloria Cater, Dean of Health Sciences introduces Candidates for Health Sciences and Certificates with specification

Presentation of Degrees and Certificates to the Students

Ms. Anita L. Crawford, Chair, Board of Trustees

Dr. Terrence A. Gomes, President

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President's Charge to the Graduating Class of 2012

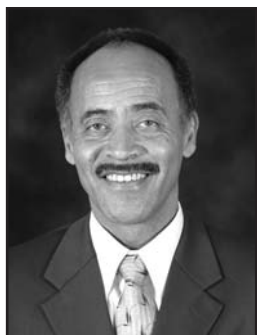
Dr. Terrence A. Gomes, President

Recessional

The audience is requested to remain seated during the recessional and is invited immediately after the ceremony to a reception in the Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center Gymnasium.

Message from the President

Dr. Terrence A. Gomes



Today is a landmark in the chosen path for your lives. Beyond this landmark, or signpost, awaits a world around you that is real and exciting. But this is not just the end; think of today as the beginning of new opportunities, experiences and growth.

I would like for you to remember today, not just the moment, but the years that have led to this moment. Remember the days spent together in class, the hard work and sacrifices endured, and

the friendships that have been built along the way.

Education offers opportunities for changing how we choose to live, how we choose to educate, and how we choose to govern ourselves for future generations to come. Please grasp the opportunities when they arise, for therein lay the key to your future and the future of all our communities.

I am very proud of you and your accomplishments. Your graduation will help pave the way as you travel the road to greater success, both in college and beyond. You will be the leaders of tomorrow and with the education you now have and will seek further, you will reach new heights and achieve your dreams.

My heartiest congratulations to the Class of 2012. I wish each of you the very best and much success in the future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Terrence A. Gomes". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

Dr. Terrence A. Gomes

President

Commencement Speaker

Steve Pemberton



Steve Pemberton is Chief Diversity Officer and Divisional Vice-President for Walgreens, the first such person to hold that responsibility in the company's 110 year history. One of America's most inspiring executives, Steve's journey to corporate America has been all but traditional. He has become recognized as one of the nation's leaders on matters of diversity and inclusion and its importance to the growth of the American industrial complex. In 2006, *Fortune* named Steve Pemberton one of the Top 20 Chief Diversity Officers in corporate America. In 2007, Steve was called to Capitol Hill to provide expert testimony on best practices in diversity recruiting and in 2008, he was named by *Savoy* as one of The Top 100 most influential African-Americans in corporate America. Steve, currently serves on several boards, including The Home for Little Wanderers and UCAN to provide guidance and inspiration to children in need. The *Pemberton Fund For The Future* has been established in his name to assist children aging out of the foster care system in Boston.

A ward of the state for much of his childhood, Steve has made opportunity, access and equality pillars of his personal and professional life. His memoir is: *A Chance in The World: An Orphan Boy, A Mysterious Past, and How He Found a Place Called Home*, (Thomas Nelson Publishers, 2012, www.chanceintheworld.com). It is a riveting chronicle of Steve's difficult path through foster care and his determined search for his family. This is an inspirational story that crosses generations and cultures, but specifically whispers to those who have had the odds stacked against them. Steve's relentless journey to overcome, find his biological family, and right the wrongs of his parents' past, is a model for all families to follow. It is a true testament of faith, fortitude and forgiveness. *A Chance In The World* achieved a glowing Kirkus review, was recently featured in People Magazine earning 3.5/4.0 stars, and Amazon reviews give *A Chance In The World* 5.0/5.0 stars!

Steve is a graduate of Boston College. He is married and has three children.

Community Service Award Recipient

Dr. Hubert (Hubie) E. Jones



Hubie Jones is Dean Emeritus of the Boston University School of Social Work, where he served as Professor and Dean from 1977 to 1993. He was Special Assistant to the Chancellor for Urban Affairs at the University of Massachusetts Boston from 1995 to 2003. For eight months in 1992, he was Acting President of Roxbury Community College. From 1972 to 1977, he was Associate Professor in the Department of Urban Studies and Planning at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Professor Jones has played a key role in the formation, rebuilding and leadership of at least thirty community organizations within the black community and across the city. In twenty of these organizations, he served as chairman of the board or executive director. Some of these leadership roles include: executive director of the Roxbury Multi-Service Center, board chairman of the Massachusetts Advocacy Center; board president of Roxbury Youthworks, Roxbury Community College Foundation and the Citywide Educational Coalition. Since 2002, he has been founder and president of the Boston Children's Chorus. He has served as a trustee at the Dana Farber Cancer Institute for 10 years and a trustee of the Foley Hoag Foundation for 25 years.

For 20 years, Hubie Jones appeared weekly as a panelist on "Five on Five," a public affairs program on WCVB-TV.

He earned his Bachelor's Degree from the City College of New York and Master's Degree in social work from Boston University School of Social Work. During the 1971-72 academic year, he was a Community Fellow at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

He has been awarded honorary doctorate degrees from Northeastern University, University of Maryland, Lesley University, Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts and the Massachusetts School of Professional Psychology.

Musical Selection

Elisabeth Withers



Best known for her Tony Award-nominated portrayal of Shug Avery in Oprah Winfrey's Broadway musical version of *The Color Purple*, vocalist Elisabeth Withers is also a longtime singer/songwriter with a bent toward neo-soul and R&B. Born in Joliet, IL, Ms. Withers left home with a scholarship to study music at Berklee College of Music in Boston. After graduating, she moved to New York City to attend New York University and graduated with a master's degree in 2000.

Prior to her appearance on Broadway, Ms. Withers sang backup for a variety of artists, including Mary J. Blige, Eryka Badu, Celine Dion and Jennifer Lopez. She was asked to be one of the three featured background singers at The White House for the 2000 Millennium Concert produced by Quincy Jones and Steven Spielberg. From there, she found herself in the studio singing on the albums of both R. Kelly and Celine Dion. Ms. Withers quickly caught the attention and respect of producer, arranger and songwriter Tony Moran (Janet Jackson, Beyoncé Knowles and Cher). Moran recruited her to co-write two classic dance club tracks, "Rising" and "Emotions" (2002), that reached the top 5 on the Billboard charts under the alias Elle Patrice. This garnered the attention of soul artist Nick Ashford, who directed Withers toward the auditions for the Broadway production of *The Color Purple*.

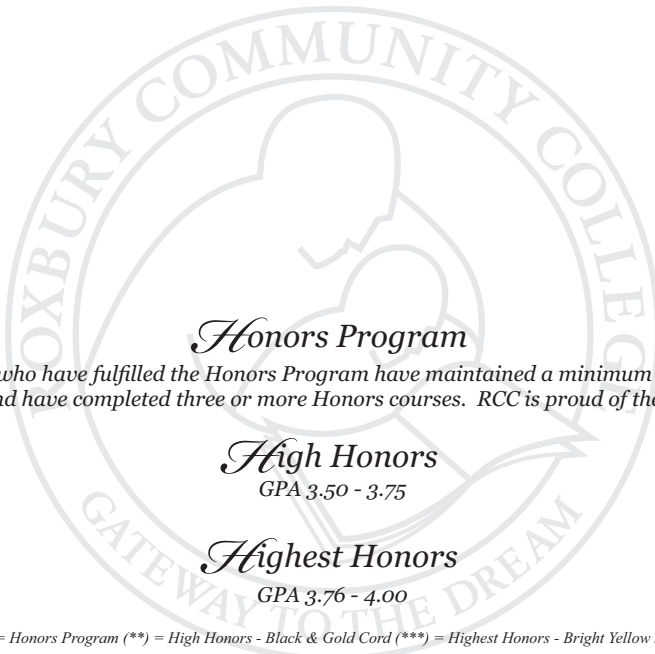
Ms. Withers played one of the five "Vowelles" on the PBS children's literacy program special "Between The Lions."

Ms. Withers released her debut solo album, "It Can Happen to Anyone," on Blue Note Records in 2007. Her single "Be With You" is featured on the Grand Auto Theft video game.

Elisabeth uses her time and success to encourage students nationwide to stay healthy, focused and true to their dreams. She has also developed an organization called TOO BEAUTIFUL. This organization focuses on the empowerment of minority women, encouraging and enhancing their morale and careers through hands-on mentoring.

www.ElisabethWithers.com



The seal of Roxbury Community College is a large, light gray circular emblem in the background. It features a silhouette of a person's head and shoulders, facing right, with a graduation cap on top. The words "ROXBURY COMMUNITY COLLEGE" are written in a circular path around the top, and "GATEWAY TO THE DREAM" is written along the bottom. The seal is partially obscured by the text in the foreground.

Honors Program

Students who have fulfilled the Honors Program have maintained a minimum GPA of 3.3 and have completed three or more Honors courses. RCC is proud of them.

High Honors

GPA 3.50 - 3.75

Highest Honors

GPA 3.76 - 4.00

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The Registrar of Roxbury Community College maintains the official list of all graduates and honor designations. This program is only for ceremonial purposes.

Degrees in Course

Degrees are presented in the following order

Associate of Arts

SALEH J. ABBAS*** <i>BIOLOGICAL SCIENCE</i>	MARIE GERALDE BADIO <i>HEALTH CAREERS</i>	ALLAND A. CLEMAT <i>HEALTH CAREERS</i>
MARIAM ATINUKE ADEDEJI- OMOREGIE <i>HEALTH CAREERS</i>	NATASHA RENE BANKS <i>SOCIAL SCIENCE</i>	MARLENE CONSTANT <i>LIBERAL ARTS</i>
EUNICE A. ADELEYE** <i>HEALTH CAREERS</i>	BRITITNY M. BARNES <i>BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION</i>	YOLANDA LEE COOLEY <i>SOCIAL SCIENCE</i>
OLUMIDE ADELU <i>HEALTH CAREERS</i>	KIANNA R. BATTLE <i>LIBERAL ARTS</i>	EDMIRA K. COOMBER <i>HEALTH CAREERS</i>
WALEOLA ABIOLA ADETUTU*** <i>HEALTH CAREERS</i>	HEVEN L. BERHE** <i>HEALTH CAREERS</i>	ALETHA M. COOPER <i>HEALTH CAREERS</i>
DANIEL ALFARO <i>LIBERAL ARTS</i>	KARINE BOB-JOSEPH <i>BIOLOGICAL SCIENCE</i>	KIM LAUREN CURTIS-JULIEN <i>HEALTH CAREERS</i>
JEROME JEREMIAH ALLEN <i>BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION</i>	KARINE BOB-JOSEPH <i>HEALTH CAREERS</i>	MEKDES DADI DAMA <i>HEALTH CAREERS</i>
IRENE ALMEIDA <i>BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION</i>	MOLENE BOLIVAR <i>HEALTH CAREERS</i>	CALLIE M. DANIELS <i>HEALTH CAREERS</i>
DULSENEIA PINA ANDRADE <i>HEALTH CAREERS</i>	MOLENE BOLIVAR <i>LIBERAL ARTS</i>	LUCY C. DE JESUS <i>LIBERAL ARTS</i>
CHIOMA VERONICA ANIAGBOSO** <i>HEALTH CAREERS</i>	SHEILA L. BRAY <i>SOCIAL SCIENCE</i>	LUCY C. DE JESUS <i>SOCIAL SCIENCE</i>
ISMEYLY A. ANTIGUA** <i>BIOLOGICAL SCIENCE</i>	SHEENA XIOMARA BROWN <i>BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION</i>	NARALIS DE JESUS <i>LIBERAL ARTS</i>
REYNESHA AYANNA ARCHER <i>LIBERAL ARTS</i>	SHANA R. BRYANT <i>HEALTH CAREERS</i>	CARINA A. DEPINA <i>BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION</i>
MANUEL ARIAS <i>BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION</i>	RHYEEMMA BURNS <i>HEALTH CAREERS</i>	JOAO GOMES DE PINA <i>BIOLOGICAL SCIENCE</i>
MARGARET TAKANG ASHU <i>HEALTH CAREERS</i>	SEMIRA YOHANNES BUTA <i>HEALTH CAREERS</i>	SYLVANA DESIRE <i>HEALTH CAREERS</i>
EMMANUEL TEMBENG AWAH** <i>HEALTH CAREERS</i>	SYBILLE CHERISMO <i>HEALTH CAREERS</i>	BETTY Y. DEVONISH-LEWIS <i>LIBERAL ARTS</i>
STEPHEN K. BABUMBA** <i>BROADCAST MEDIA TECHNOLOGY</i>	JADE TORI CHIN <i>VISUAL ARTS</i>	FATOUMATA BINTA DIALLO** <i>BIOLOGICAL SCIENCE</i>

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SAMANTHA JEAN BRUNOT
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CHANTAL DUVAL
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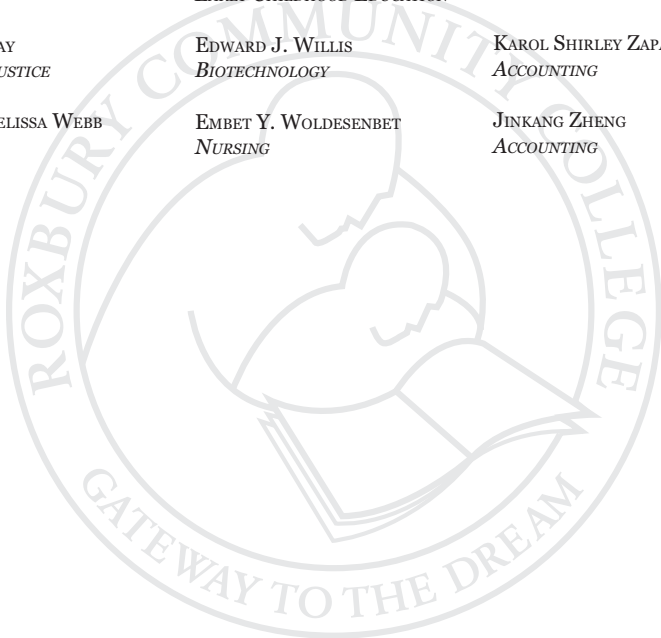
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Academic Regalia

The caps, gowns and hoods of the academic procession date back to the Middle Ages when they were common dress for scholars. In the Twelfth Century, monks and students wore them to keep warm from the damp and drafty European castles and halls of learning.

The Bachelor's gown has a pleated front and long, pointed sleeves. The Master's gown, which may be worn open, is distinguished by its long square sleeves. The Doctor's gown is trimmed with velvet panels and has three velvet bars on the bell shaped sleeves.

The hood provides the color, contrast and symbolism of the procession. Certain colors became associated with particular areas of knowledge. For example, the hood border worn by a doctor of theology was red, a color associated with the Catholic Church; a medical doctor wore a green border, which relates to the healing powers of medicinal herbs.

In Europe, a uniform color system was never developed. However, in the United States, an intercollegiate committee meeting in 1895, decided upon uniform color standards, assigning a specific color to each field of study.

Departmental Colors of Faculty Members' Hoods & Tassels

Agriculture	Maize	Library Science	Lemon
Arts, Humanities	White	Medicine	Green
Chiropractic	Silver Gray	Music	Pink
Dentistry	Lilac	Nursing	Apricot
Economics	Copper	Pharmacy	Olive Green
Education	Light Blue	Philosophy	Dark Blue
Fine Arts	Brown	Science	Golden Yellow
Journalism	Crimson	Social Work	Citron
Law	Purple	Theology	Scarlet



Roxbury Community College

Years of dreaming and planning came to life in 1973, when Roxbury Community College opened its doors in the Grove Hall area of Roxbury. Despite less than ideal surroundings - its location was a former car dealership - Roxbury Community College's dedicated faculty, staff, and administration served the educational needs of four hundred students. The College's mission then, as it is now, was to provide higher education to those Boston residents who found most other avenues to higher education closed.

In 1975, growth was the impetus for a move to 424 Dudley Street, a former nursing home. This move permitted the expansion and strengthening of academic programs and student services. The College continued to grow, which precipitated another move in 1982 to the former site of Boston State College on Huntington Avenue. As the College continued to shift its service base to meet an expanding enrollment, the goal to establish a permanent home for Roxbury Community College in the heart of the communities it served, remained strong.

With much anticipation, Roxbury Community College built its new home as the cornerstone of the Southwest Corridor in the Spring of 1988. This fifteen-acre campus includes a state-of-the-art Media Arts Building, Academic Building, Administration Building, Student Center, and the Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center.

A global village, Roxbury Community College's multicultural and ethnically diverse student population has set it apart from other community colleges in the Commonwealth. Although most of our students are from Boston and surrounding communities, many come from all over the world: North America, Central America, South America, Africa, Asia, the Middle East, Europe and the Caribbean.

With renewed commitment, Roxbury Community College continues its legacy of providing educational opportunities for all who enter its doors.

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